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MUFI HANNEMANN MAYOR



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Mr. Alan Ong Hunt Development Group 737 Bishop Street, Suite 2750 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Mr. Ong:

Thank you for attending the meeting yesterday to discuss the rail transit alignment in the East Kapolei region. I particularly appreciated your support for the project and willingness to help us expedite its planning so that we can implement the rail system that will be the single most vital element to the success of the development of the region.

While the City was not able to secure a site at the University of Hawaii West Oahu (UHWO) for a rail transit station as we had hoped, your company's interest and participation resulted in our reaching a consensus on an alignment that improves transit service to the UHWO campus and its associated facilities and also provides mobility linkages to the major components of the regional development.

As stated at the meeting, the Department of Transportation Services (DTS) will be providing you with a scaled map that depicts the alignment as agreed upon. Starting from the east, the alignment would follow the roadway between Farrington Highway and Road B in Hoopili, and would turn south as it approaches the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) property at the southeastern corner of the Farrington Highway and North/South Road intersection; a station could be located as the track straightens near the intersection of North/South Road and Road B; and the alignment would then follow North/South Road to the next station near the future Kroc Center.

I realize that having the scaled map attached to this letter would have been helpful, but I needed to write to you in advance of the engineer's work to confirm yesterday's consensus immediately because the City Council will be posting the agenda for their May 7, 2008 meeting shortly and one of the agenda items is the third reading on the amendment to the Ewa Development Plan Public Infrastructure (PIM) Map to include the rail alignment and stations.

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In addition to the rail transit alignment, we have also reached the following agreements and commitments: that UHWO will testify and explain publicly the reason and support for having the rail station near its campus but not on campus; and that DLNR will provide five acres in the DLNR property for a park-and-ride that serves the adjacent rail station. I would also like to add as a commitment that UHWO will provide the pedestrian overpass to the west side of North-South Road for the safe crossing from the rail station to the UHWO properties.

I would also encourage D.R. Horton to provide a five-acre site for the park-and-ride near the station so that the station would have a total of ten acres of parking to accommodate the anticipated park-and-ride demand.

I am aware that the Department of Planning and Permitting has requested that Hunt provide a nine-acre site near the Kroc Center station for a park-and-ride facility. I believe that a park-and-ride at this location is highly desirable for the Ewa and Kapolei communities that would not benefit from the first phase of the project without direct access to the rail stations. I believe the size of the site should be ten acres and it should be located immediately across from the Kroc Center station with a pedestrian overpass also provided by Hunt for the safety of the residents and patrons of the Hunt Development.

My representative will be contacting you shortly to memorialize the agreement we had reached at the meeting. Your expeditious cooperation will be appreciated so that we can proceed with the project.

With warm personal regards,

Mufi Hannemann

Yours truly,

Mayor